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It is obvious to me that the decision by AOL to sue Microsoft for damages on its competitive loss in the browser market, is an attempt to regain revenue that it could not achieve in the marketplace.

The Netscape model was based on an assumption that it could charge \$50.00 a year, in perpetuity, to everyone in the world who needed a tool to browse to Internet.

Most people don't know that the Mosaic browser was developed at public expense, and is the software that both Netscape and the Microsoft Internet Explorer are based.

I have no sympathy with complaints of the old Netscape company, and even less with the current suit by AOL.

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